



Monthly Monday Member: Jenn (Sasso) Schubert

Jenn (Sasso) Schubert is a partner at MoloLamken and an accomplished trial lawyer who represents individuals and companies in criminal and regulatory matters, and high-stakes civil litigation, both nationally and internationally. Jenn spent nearly a decade as a federal prosecutor in the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of New York. While serving as Acting Chief of the Organized Crime and Gangs section, she prosecuted and supervised complex racketeering cases including those involving money laundering, bank and wire fraud, corruption, obstruction, and terrorism. She has represented the United States at United Nations conferences presenting on investigation and prosecution of international syndicates and the use of digital and web-based evidence. She was previously an associate at Cravath, Swaine & Moore and Williams & Connolly and served as law clerk to the Honorable José A. Cabranes of the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.

WHY THE FFF: I was introduced to the FFF by head of the Tech Disputes Network, Sam Roberts of Cooke, Young and Keidan, and was delighted to speak on a tech fraud panel co-hosted by the two organizations. It was incredible to meet the FFF network replete with accomplished, passionate women engaged in inspiring work in the field.

FAVOURITE MEMORY OF HER CAREER: Several favorite memories stand out from each chapter of my career. To name just a few – witnessing my Judge preside over the charged atmosphere and top-notch advocacy in Second Circuit oral arguments; the rush of each and every jury address I've delivered to 12 citizens sitting together as the jury who will determine the outcome of a criminal trial; the pride of supervising and mentoring young attorneys to then observing them deliver their own powerful jury addresses; presenting at the United Nations to dozens of Middle Eastern judicial officers; and meeting MoloLamken's international partners in the law, forming genuine connections that will span our future years of practice. In short, as a trial litigator, I have always been struck by the impact of the law on communities and human lives, whether that community lies within just a few square blocks of a neighborhood in Brooklyn or whether those lives are entangled in a high-stakes international matter. It is an awesome responsibility and privilege to represent a community, and its individuals and companies, through their encounters with the legal system.

WHAT CAREER ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE YOUR YOUNGER SELF: As a teenager, I was devoted to impacting my community and, ultimately, to becoming a trial litigator. I pursued these goals doggedly, albeit impatiently, including by founding a non-profit organization at age 14 that led me to working with the Department of Justice and countless other community organizations, working in the clerk's office of Hillsborough County Drug Court at age 19, interning as an investigator at the D.C. Public Defenders Services at 20, and committing every summer thereafter to legal services jobs. I would not change that drive or focus, but I would tell my younger self to enjoy each step of the journey, to trust that each stepping stone and experience would yield a fundamentally important piece of the puzzle, and to trust that the hard work and focus would result in a rewarding and challenging career.